



Public Health Careers and Training at the NIH





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Career Paths in Public Health

- Research and evaluation
- Policy making
- Regulation
- Management and administration
- Community-based health care delivery
- Advocacy





Public and Private Sector Settings

- Academic institutions
- Government (Federal, State and Local)
- NGOs (non-profit policy centers and other “think tanks;” professional associations; advocacy groups)
- Private (for profit) sector





Useful Websites

- <http://www.whatispublichealth.org/what/index.html>
- http://www.whatispublichealth.org/faqs/index.html#career_faqs4
- http://www.apha.org/NR/rdonlyres/C57478B8-8682-4347-8DDF-A1E24E82B919/0/what_is_PH_May1_Final.pdf





Department of and Certificate in Public Health FAES Graduate School at NIH

- Program and courses open to anyone with a Bachelors degree
- Courses are offered in the evenings
- Certificate requirements (21 credit hours): one full year of statistics (one two-semester course totaling 6 credit hours) and one 3 credit hour course in each of the other four core disciplines, plus a capstone project of 3 credits
- For most students, this Certificate Program is intended to be completed in three years





Certificate in Public Health Program Core Disciplines

- Epidemiology
- Biostatistics
- Environmental health sciences
- Health policy and management
- Social and behavioral sciences





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- Credits may be transferable into M.P.H. programs
- Credits for already completed courses can be applied towards the Certificate
- Successful completion of the Certificate Program requires 3.00 GPA
- Courses offered by the Department will also be open to interested students not enrolled in Certificate Program
- The Department will also offer a range of electives outside the Certificate Program for interested students





How will the Certificate help my career?

- Test-drive interest in pursuing degree in public health (transfer credits to an accredited university Masters of Public Health program)
- Enhance or change responsibilities of current position
- Enable move into new research position at NIH or another setting
- Enable more fundamental change in career direction out of research into regulation, policy, management or administration, advocacy or community work





That's All, Folks!

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